

david lusk gallery

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education

2002 MFA, Memphis College of Art

1994 BFA, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln

solo exhibitions

- 2025 *Thoughts Twisted Into Understanding*, W.O. Benjamin Art Gallery, Itawamba Community College, Fulton, MS
Slow Motion Contemplations, David Lusk Gallery, Nashville
- 2024 *Slow Motion Contemplations*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2023 *Between a Thought and a Thing*, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
beauty is a byproduct, David Lusk Gallery, Nashville
- 2022 *Poetics of Gesture*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2020 *Between a Thought and a Thing*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2019 *Mellow Mountain Coalition*, whitespec, Whitespace, Atlanta
In A Silent Way, David Lusk Gallery, Nashville
- 2017 *The Politics of Power*, Anderson O'Brien Fine Art, Omaha, NE
The Politics of Power, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2016 *Continual Myth*, Bradbury Art Museum, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR
Wrong Way into Juarez, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
- 2015 *Instructions Included*, David Lusk Gallery, Nashville
Born To Hula, Glitch, Mellow Mountain Collaborations, Memphis
- 2014 *the bacchus sessions*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2013 *From the Foothills of Ambiguity*, Cheryl Hazen Gallery, New York
- 2012 *Garden and Gun*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Smile Heavy Sessions, *Pulse*, David Lusk Gallery, New York
- 2010 *Permagrin*, Concept Gallery, Memphis
The Liberated Landscape, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Conundrum, Material, Memphis
Playscape, Anderson O'Brien Fine Art, Omaha, NE
- 2008 *The Fun Show*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
The Plot Thickens, Millsaps College, Jackson, MS
The M.O. Tribute Show, P & H Café, Memphis
Rebuttal, Blue Paupers Bazaar, Memphis
Blue Parkway Project, UrbanArt Commission, Memphis
Single Line Drawings, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
- 2007 *Float*, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
Dumpster, Material Gallery, Memphis
Beer, BBQ and Muscle Cars, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
- 2006 *Philosophy of Beauty*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Sugar Coated, Julie Baker Fine Art, Nevada City, CA
- 2005 *scopeHAMPTONS*, David Lusk Gallery
Depending on Altered Legends, Anderson O'Brien Fine Art, Omaha
- 2004 *Incomplete Histories of My Memories*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2003 *Love on the Installment Plan*, scopeMIAMI, David Lusk Gallery
- 2002 *Brave Clean and Reverent*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Rickety Slick, Haydon Fine Art, Lincoln, NE
Evolution of Observation, Memphis College of Art

- 1999 *Hobo Symbols*, Anderson O'Brien Fine Art, Omaha
- 1998 *Half Naked Half Dead*, Aardvarx Gallery, Lincoln
- 1997 *Drawings, Paintings, Prints and Sculpture*, Aardvarx Gallery, Lincoln
- 1996 New Mexico Art League, Albuquerque
- 1993 NWU Kepler Gallery, Lincoln
- 1991 Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX

group exhibitions

- 2022 *Outline*, David Lusk Gallery, Nashville
- 2021 Mellow Mountain Coalition, Gallery 130, University of Mississippi, Oxford, MS
- 2020 *FABLE*, Mellow Mountain Coalition, David Lusk Gallery, Nashville
- 2018 *Daily Art*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville
Art of the South, Presented by No. Magazine, Crosstown Arts, Memphis
- 2017 *How Did You Get That Black Eye???*, Mellow Mountain Coalition, Mason Scharfenstein Museum of Art, Piedmont College, Demorest, GA
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2016 *Art 101*, The 101, Memphis
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville
A Show of Hand, David Lusk Gallery, Nashville
Paper Cuts, Cuevas Tilleard Gallery, New York, NY
Flight of the Peacock, COOP Gallery, Nashville
- 2015 *Game Day*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville
Mash-Up, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis and Nashville
Buggin and Shruggin, Brooks Museum, Memphis
The Dark Forest, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
Summer Reading, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2014 *Price is Right*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Scope Art Fair, David Lusk Gallery, Miami
- 2013 *Art Miami*, David Lusk Gallery, Miami
Present Tense: The Art of Memphis from 2001-Now, Dixon Gallery and Gardens, Memphis
Bogey Nights, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
PULP: Works on Paper-Works with Paper, Beta Pictoris Gallery, Birmingham AL
Co-Lab, Nu Gallery, Memphis
Furload, Glitch Gallery, Memphis
Pulse Art Fair, David Lusk Gallery, New York
New Southern Vernacular, Blend Studio, Nashville
New Southern Vernacular, Elder Gallery, Lincoln, NE
Words Matter, Marshall Arts, Memphis
- 2012 *About Face*, ACME Gallery, Los Angeles
The Art of Living, Museum of Nebraska Art, Kearney, NE
Context, Art Miami, David Lusk Gallery, Miami
Texas Contemporary Art Fair, David Lusk Gallery, Houston
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Pulse Art Fair, David Lusk Gallery, New York
Mark My Words, Cheryl Hazen Gallery, New York
Three, Cheryl Hazen Gallery, New York
Oscar, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
- 2011 *Ripped From the Studio*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Aqua, David Lusk Gallery, Miami
ArtHouston, David Lusk Gallery, Houston
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Chain Letter, Brooklyn, NY

- 2010 *We Like Each Other*, Marxhausen Gallery, Concordia University, Seward NE
Playhouse on the Square, Memphis
Breast, Ouch My Eye, Seattle
The Memphis School, Zeitgeist Gallery, Nashville
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2009 *Zoo of 8*, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
Art Santa Fe, Santa Fe, NM
Art LA, Los Angeles
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
The Bakers Dozen, Silent Auction to Benefit UrbanArt, Material and Odessa Galleries, Memphis
Memphis School, Fugitive Center, Nashville
- 2008 *Next*, Invitational Art Fair, Chicago
Two Dollar Show, Los Angeles
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Works on Paper, David Lusk Gallery, New York
Art LA, David Lusk Gallery, Los Angeles
The Human Condition, Molloy College, Rockville Centre, NY
Millsaps College, Jackson, MS
Ex-Pats, Museum of Nebraska Art, Kearney, NE
Small Wonders, GarsonBaker Fine Art, New York
This and That: Recent Art from Memphis, University of Louisiana, Monroe, (curated by Greely Myatt)
- 2007 *Flow*, Art Basel/Miami, David Lusk Gallery, Miami
Dwell on Design/San Francisco, David Lusk Gallery, San Francisco
Los Angeles Art Show, David Lusk Gallery, Los Angeles
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Plush You!, Schmancy, Seattle, WA
Class of '07, Lantana Projects, Memphis
NIA Salon 3, Delta Axis @ Marshall Arts, Memphis
Art Chicago, David Lusk Gallery, Chicago
Bridge Art Fair, David Lusk Gallery, Chicago
Delta Exhibition, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock
- 2006 *Flow*, David Lusk Gallery, Miami
Class of '06, Lantana/Medicine Factory, Memphis
Art 212, David Lusk Gallery, NYC
Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Works of Art on Paper, curated by Carter E. Foster, Long Beach Island Foundation for the Arts and Sciences, Loveladies, NJ
Confessions, Orange County Center for Contemporary Art, Santa Monica
New Works On Paper, David Lusk Gallery, The Armory, New York
Text, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
Animals, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
- 2006 *(Con) Text*, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
Flying High, The Vault, Memphis
Art Chicago, David Lusk Gallery, Chicago
Art Chicago, Julie Baker Fine Art, Chicago
I love the Burbs, Katonah Museum of Art, Katonah, NY
Waterfall, Mahan Gallery, Columbus, OH

- 2005 Scope, David Lusk Gallery, New York
 2x2, Koelsch Gallery, Houston, TX
Tide to the Vernacular, The Arts Center of St Petersburg, FL
New Orleans Triennial, New Orleans Museum of Art
 The Water Fall Show, Vermont Studio Center, Johnson, VT
 AAF, Julie Baker Gallery, New York
 AAF, Barbara Archer Gallery, New York
 ArtChicago, David Lusk Gallery, Chicago,
American Drawing Biennial 8, Muscarelle Museum of Art, William and Mary College, VA
 Works On Paper, David Lusk Gallery, New York
 Bemis Foundation, Omaha,
Why don't I just pull over, Koelsch Gallery, Houston
 San Francisco International Art Exposition, David Lusk Gallery
WallFlower, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro
The Price is Right 6, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Scope, New York, New York
- 2004 AAF, David Lusk Gallery, New York
Drawings: Koelsch Gallery, Houston
The Flower Show, Jonesboro, AR
 Works on Paper, David Lusk Gallery, New York
 San Francisco International Art Exposition, David Lusk Gallery
- 2003 *New American Paintings: Southern Style*, Arkansas State University, Jonesboro, AR
 AAF, David Lusk Gallery, New York
Max: 03, The University of Memphis Art Museum
The Price is Right, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Artrageous, Memphis
 Delta Exhibition, Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock
 Group Exhibition, Haydon Gallery, Lincoln
 Works On Paper, David Lusk Gallery, New York
 San Francisco International Art Exposition, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
- 2002 *The Price is Right 5, Back With a Vengeance*, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
 Group Show, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
New American Paintings, Issue 40
 Group Exhibition, Haydon Gallery, Lincoln
 MFA Exhibition, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 2001 *The Word in Art: The Use of Text in Contemporary Southern Art*, Swan Coach House Gallery, Atlanta
Juried Arts Exhibit, Arts in the Park, Memphis
The Price is Right 3, Don't Stop 'Til You Get Enough, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Gaming Interactive, Memphis College of Art.
8x8x8, Delta Axis, Memphis
Prints/Paper, Haydon Gallery, Lincoln
 Group Exhibition, Haydon Gallery, Lincoln
- 2000 Group Show, David Lusk Gallery, Memphis
Small Treasures, Haydon Fine Art Lincoln
 Group Show, Memphis College of Art, Memphis
- 1999 David Alles, Printmaking Studio Exhibition, Lincoln
Nebraska Wesleyan Alumni Exhibition, Lincoln
 Gallery 9 Juried Show, Lincoln
 Fred Wells National Art Competition, Lincoln
- 1998 Club 1427, Lincoln
Gallery 9 Invitational, Lincoln
 Aardvarx Gallery, Lincoln
- 1997 *Valley Public Schools Artist Invitation*, Valley, NE
 Aardvarx Gallery, Lincoln
- 1996 Invitational Home Show, Albuquerque
New Mexico Art League Faculty Exhibition, Albuquerque
- 1995 *Rokos Gallery Artists' Invitational*, Eger, Hungary

- 1994 University of North Texas Art Gallery, Denton
Elder Gallery Senior Art Exhibit, Lincoln
- 1993 Elder Gallery Juried Student Exhibition, Lincoln
- 1992 *Light in the Attic*, University Place Gallery, Lincoln
- 1990 Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX

awards

- 2008 UrbanArt Commission, Blue Parkway Project, Memphis
- 2005 Guest Artist, Tamarind Printmaking Institute, New Mexico,
Faculty Fellowship Vermont Studio Center, from Memphis College of Art
- 2004 Drawing Center Slide File
- 2002 UrbanArt Commission, Memphis, Collierville Public Library Art Enhancement Project
- 2001 Best of Show, Arts in the Park, Memphis, juror Shamim Momin, The Whitney Museum
- 1999 Fred Wells National Competition
Best of Show, Gallery 9, Lincoln, Juried Competition
- 1993 Best of Show, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Lincoln, Juried Student Exhibition

bibliography

- The Commercial Appeal, Fredric Koeppel, *Lauritzen Wright displays his virtuosity*, January 6, 2017
- The Commercial Appeal, Fredric Koeppel, *Pen & Brush*, January 15, 2015
- New American Paintings, issue 118, 2015
- The Commercial Appeal, Fredric Koeppel, *In Triplicate*, October 21, 2014
- The Commercial Appeal, Fredric Koeppel, *Colorful coalition*, January 23, 2014
- Garden and Gun, 2012
- The Memphis Flyer, Dwayne Butcher, *Taking Aim Southern magazine a starting point for Lauritzen Wright*, Oct 11-17, 2012, p3
- The Commercial Appeal, Fredric Koeppel, *Glitter, gore of South on exhibit*, October 2012
- Big Red and Shiny, Adrian Duran, *The New Southern Vernacular: Memphis Art, The Yankee Version*, November 12, 2012
- New American Paintings, issue 94, 2011
- The Memphis Flyer, Carol Knowles, *Edgy, Grief, gender blurring, and metaphorical wallop*, Oct 21, 2010
- The Commercial Appeal, Fredric Koeppel, *Art Lesson: Blue Parkway*, March 13, 2008, pM1
- NWA Traveler, Art Scene, In the Public Eye, " Interactions/Interruptions" January 2008, p36
- Chris Davis, *stepping out, we recommend*, Tad Wright exhibition *Dumpster* at Material, The Memphis Flyer, Memphis, Jan 25-21
- Fredric Koeppel, 2006 best of the year, the year in fine art, Playbook, The Commercial Appeal, December 29, 2006. p.26-7
- The Omaha Reader, 2005
- Fredric Koeppel, 'Rickety Slick,' *Elegance, degeneration contrast in Delta Axis exhibition*
- The Commercial Appeal, May 2005
- New American Paintings, July August, 2004
- Wolgamott, L. Kent, Top Ten Art Events of 2002, Lincoln Journal Star, Dec. 2002
- Hicks, Ed, Art Talk: review, Memphis Business Journal, July 2002
- Wolgamott, L. Kent, Art with a Kick, Haydon Gallery, Lincoln Journal Star, July 2002
- New American Paintings, June 2002
- Bluff Papers, 2000
- Daily Nebraskan 1999

public collections

Archer Malmö, Memphis
Arkansas Arts Center, Little Rock
AUZ Hotel, San Francisco
Brooks Museum of Art, Memphis
Capital One, Houston
The Children's Museum, Memphis
City of Memphis, Memphis
Clients & Profits, Oceanside, CA
Cue Creative, Memphis
Deloitte & Touche, Memphis
Fidelco Realty Group. Millburn, NJ
Fidelity, Boston
Hallmark, Kansas City, MO
Hill Services, Memphis
Howard Tullman Collection, Chicago
J ArtAdvising, Atlanta
James Patterson Collection, Memphis
Katonah Museum of Art, Katonah, NY
Lokion Interactive, Memphis
Meeschaert, Paris, France
Memphis/Shelby County Public Library - Collierville
MKG Management, Houston
nexAIR, Memphis
Pacific Peninsula Group, San Francisco
Pfizer Inc., Memphis
Radio Shack, Dallas
Tamarind Printmaking Institute, Albuquerque
The Children's Museum, Memphis
Tower Ventures, Memphis
Urban Art Commission, Memphis

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